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MACHINE WITH INSPECTION

APERTURE

Mail Stop AF

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the final Office Action dated December 21, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) and the associated fee are submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: